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SUBJECT: MAY 23 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA

SRV PUBLISHES US DOCUMENTS/STATEMENTS PROMISING POSTWAR
CONTRIBUTIONS, INCL NIXON MESSAGE SAYING US WOULD GRANT
3.25 BILLION DOLS IN AID; SAYS US OBLIGED LIVE UP TO
PLEDGES (WP).

HANOI ANNOUNCES EXTENSION ECON ZONE TO 200 MI FROM SHORE.

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TERRITORIAL LIMIT REMAINS 12 MI. CONFLICT W/PRC POSED,
SINCE NEW ECON ZONE INCL PARACELS (WP 5/22; UPI, NYT 5/22).

BRADSHER (WSTAR 5/21) REPORTS WB CONSIDERING HELPING SRV
W/3 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AFTER GETTING HANOI ASSURANCES
THAT REPS WILL GET ADEQUATE ACCESS TO CHECK ON LOAN USE.
PROJECTS ARE REHABILITATION/EXPANSION IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

IN MEKONG DELTA/DEV COAL INDUSTRY IN NVN/EXPANSION ELEC-
TRIC SYSTEM.

RYAN (JOC) SAYS FRANCE/SRV SIGN ECON COOPERATION AGREEMENT
UNDER WHICH GOF WILL SUPPLY STEEL COMPLEX/CEMENT WORKS/
COTTON-SPINNING FACTORY.

INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

BOYER (WSTAR 5/22) DESCRIBES LIFE-STYLE/INVESTMENT
NGUYEN CAO KY AT LA. QUOTES HIM THAT WITH SOME US HELP,
COULD HAVE WON WAR. KY ADDS THAT SOMETIMES HEARS FROM OLD
FRIENDS IN SAIGON; NEWS "NOT GOOD."

2. THAILAND

EA'S OAKLEY ARRIVED BANGKOK 5/22 FOR INFORMAL TALKS W/FON-
MIN UPADIT/DEP SUPREME MIL CMDR KRIANGSAK (REUTER, WP).

BANGKOK U DEP RECTOR ARRESTED, CHARGED W/CONSPIRING KILL
INT MINISTER; DENIES CHARGE (AP, WP).

FIVE COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS KIA IN CLASH W/POLICE IN NE
THAILAND (REUTER, WP).

3. CHINA

DURING REFUELING STOP ENROUTE DC FROM GENEVA, TOP-RANKING
DOS OFFICIAL SAID SECSTATE VANCE PLANS VISIT PRC SOMETIME
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IN AUGUST--THREE MONTHS EARLIER THAN FIRST SAID LIKELY.
NO MENTION ANY POLICY REASON FOR NEW TRAVEL SCHEDULE
(NYT SPEC MILDENHALL AFB 5/22).

NCNA REPORTS WASH STATE TRADE MISSION, LED BY PRES SEATTLE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MET WITH PRC VICE MIN FORTRADE IN
PEKING BEFORE BEGINNING TOUR SHANGHAI/WUHSI (REUTER HK
5/20).

NCNA SAYS NCHINA'S KAILUAN MINES EXPECTED RETURN TO PRE-
EARTHQUAKE DAILY PRODUCTION LEVELS BY END '77. MINE
WORKERS PLEDGE FULFILL PRE-QUAKE PRODUCTION TARGET SET
FOR 80 (REUTER HK, SUN 5/22).

ACCORDING TRAVELERS WHO RECENTLY VISITED MANCHURIAN CITY OF
SHENYANG, 8 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH, INCLUDING
24-YR-OLD MAN WHO STARTED "CHINA REVOLUTIONARY PARTY" WITH
ITS OWN FLAG/SYMBOL. OTHERS SENTENCED ON VARIOUS CHARGES
INCLUDING MURDER/THEFT/RAPE/TEARING UP RR TRACK, ACCORDING

OFFICIAL EXECUTION NOTICE (REUTER PEKING).

4. PRES' COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS AT NOTRE DAME

NYT CARRIES FULL TEXT PRES' SUNDAY TALK ON FOPOLICY, W/ UPI PIC CARTER/3 OTHERS WHO REC'D HONORARY DEGREES--AMONG THEM, SK'S CARDINAL KIM. WOOTEN (NYT) REVIEWS 5 MAJOR FOPOLICY ELEMENTS MENTIONED IN SPEECH: US COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RTS; CLOSE COOPERATION AMONG INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES; SEEK IMPROVED RELS W/USSR/PRC; REACH OUT TO DEVELOPING NATIONS TO REDUCE RICH/POOR DIFFERENCES; ENCOURAGE ALL COUNTRIES RISE ABOVE NATL INTERESTS/WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE MAJOR GLOBAL PROBLEMS AS NUKE WAR THREAT/RACIAL HATRED/ ARMS RACE/ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE/HUNGER/DISEASE. WOOTEN NOTES PRES ASSURED PEKING THAT US PLANNED INVOLVE IT IN FORMULATION ITS GLOBAL POLICIES; QUOTES PRES RE PRC AS KEY FORCE FOR GLOBAL PEACE/US WISH COOPERATE ON WORLD PROBLEMS. UNCLASSIFIED

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WALSH (WP) NOTES PRES STRESSES SOCIAL JUSTICE IN FOPOLICY. ADDS CITATION THAT ACCOMPANIED PRES' HONORARY DEGREE PRAISED CARTER FOR VN WAR AMNESTY. SOUTHERLAND (CSM) SAYS PRES' SPEECH REAFFIRMED US FOPOLICY ACTIVISM--NOT RETREAT FROM WORLD. NOTES EMPHASIS GIVEN PRC RELS. JACKMAN (NYDN) REPORTS CARTER FOPOLICY STRESSES DECENCY/HOPE. SEES PRES' "CALL FOR PROGRESS TOWARD NORMALIZING RELATIONS WITH CHINA" COUPLED W/WARNING TO MOSCOW RE MEANING DETENTE. MENTIONS EX-SEN MANSFIELD GOT HONORARY DEGREE AT SAME TIME, AS DID SK'S CARDINAL KIM. JACKMAN FINDS IRONY IN PRES' GREETING CARDINAL KIM, SINCE CARTER'S POLICY W/DRAWAL TROOPS FEARED BY MOST KOREANS AS POSSIBLE HARBINGER RENEWED WAR W/NK.

5. AUSTRALIA

REUTER (CANBERRA) REPORTS ALP'S CALL ON PRES CARTER TO ORDER PROBE OF ALLEGED CIA ACTIVITIES IN AUSTRALIA-- DECISION MADE AT MEETING OF PARTY'S FEDERAL EXECUTIVE. WHITLAM, WHO MOVED MOTION CALLING FOR INQUIRY, EXPECTED MAKE REQUEST PERSONALLY TO ALSTON. MOTION ALSO CALLED FOR INVESTIGATION BY US CONGRESS. REUTER ADDS THAT ALP DEMAND IS SURE BE EMBARRASSMENT TO FRASER, WHO LEAVES LATER THIS WEEK FOR US/EUROPE TOUR (SUN).

6. PHILIPPINES

MIL SPOKESMAN SAYS GOP PLANS TRY 92 ALLEGED COMMUNISTS ON CHARGES OF PLOTTING MARCOS OVERTHROW (WP).

NYT SPEC, FROM MORONG, REPORTS UNICEF DELS ATTENDING
MANILA MEETING VISITED THIS TOWN OF 23,000 FRIDAY AND
MARVELED AT IMPROVISED STREET LAMPS/POTTED VEGETABLES
ADORNING WINDOW SILLS. MORONG COOPERATING IN GOVT-
SPONSORED PROGRAM OF ROAD-BUILDING/FOOD PRODUCTION/CHILD
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NUTRITION/HEALTH SANITATION.

JOC'S FULLER REPORTS WM SULLIVAN WARNED WEEKEND LUNCHEON
US BUSINESSMEN THAT LACK OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT CAPITAL IN
PHILS, ACCOMPANIED BY GROWING UNEMPLOYMENT, COULD BECOME
"NAIL THAT LOST THE HORSESHOE THAT LOST THE KINGDOM";
SAID HEART OF PROBLEM LIES IN COUNTRY'S INABILITY FORM
ENOUGH CAPITAL OUT OF GNP FOR BUSINESSES THAT COULD EMPLOY
DISILLUSIONED YOUTH WHO HAVE BECOME "ROOTLESS AND REST-
LESS" WITH "BIG POTENTIAL FOR (POL) INSTABILITY" IN
MANILA/OTHER CITIES. AMB WARNED IF PROBLEM NOT SOLVED,
GENERATIONS OF YOUTH WILL TAKE TO HILLS, POSSIBLY TAKE
OVER GOVT--WITH FOCUS ON DEVELOPMENT ALONG PRC/SRV
MODELS; URGED US BUSINESSMEN GET EQUITY CAPITAL INTO PHILS
IN SUCH WAYS CAN BE EFFECTIVELY USED IN CONJUNCTION W/US
KNOW-HOW/EXPERIENCE.

SURVEYING FUTURE EA/SEA, AMB SAID PROBLEMS OF "GALLOPING
POPULATION GROWTH"/DEVELOPMENT NEW FOOD RESOURCES WILL
BE BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL BEFORE END OF CENTURY--BUT UN-
EMPLOYMENT "ANOTHER MATTER," PARTICULARLY IN PHILS.

NINE-MEMBER PHILS TRADE MISSION IN OTTAWA, TRYING NARROW
TRADE GAP WITH CANADA, SEEKING JOINT VENTURES WITH
CANADIAN FIRMS IN "PIONEER INDUSTRIES," EXPANSION SUGAR
EXPORTS TO CANADA, INCREASED MARKETS FOR OTHER PRODUCTS
(JOC SPEC).

7. JAPAN

GOJ SIGNED AGREEMENT 5/20 FOR 40 PCT CUTBACK IN COLOR TV
EXPORTS TO US OVER NEXT 3 YRS (REUTER 5/20; NYT, SUN
5/21; WSJ 5/23). REUTER REPORTS SAID GOJ WILL ENCOURAGE
TV SET PRODUCERS INVEST US/PRODUCE COLOR TVS WITH US
LABOR. AGREEMENT CONTAINS CLAUSE PROVIDING IMPOSITION
IMPORT CONTROLS AGAINST ANY OTHER COUNTRY ATTEMPTING TAKE
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UNFAIR ADVANTAGE RESTRAINTS WORKED OUT W/JAPAN. ACCORD

SUBJECT CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL W/IN 90 DAYS.
NYT SPEC BY GRAHAM HOVEY NOTES AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED OVER
7 WKS UNDER DEADLINE PRESSURE HEAD OFF POSSIBLE 5 FOLD
INCREASE US TARIFFS ON TV IMPORTS.

STR STRAUSS FRIDAY DENIED PROTECTIONIST/INFLATIONARY
EFFECT; BUT SOME CRITICISM OF PACT VOICED BY WVA SEN
WM BYRD/LABOR-MANAGEMENT COALITION KNOWN AS "COMPACT".
NYT'S GENE SMITH NOTES RCA VICE PRES/GEN MANAGER CONSUMER
ELECTRONICS DIVISION POLLACK SAID STILL "UNANSWERED
QUESTIONS" AS WHAT ARE COUNTERVAILING DUTIES/ARE DUMPING
BONDS TO BE PAID/ETC; BUT ZENITH RAIDO CORP CHAIRMAN/PRES
NEVIN "COMPLETELY SATISFIED" WITH TERMS AS BEST POSSIBLE
COMPROMISE.

WSJ STAFF REPORTS HARLEY/NORMAN SAYS NO EARLY BOOSTS IN
COLOR TV SET PRICES SEEN AS RESULT ACCORD, BUT OPINION
DIVIDED AS TO WHAT HAPPENS NEXT YR/BEYOND. MKT PRESENTLY
GLUTTED W/IMPORTED SETS. ONE SOURCE BELIEVES JAPANESE
WILL ATTEMPT GET MANY SETS IN AS POSSIBLE BEFORE JULY 1
DATE AGREEMENT COMES INTO EFFECT. JOC'S LAWRENCE NOTES
TRADE SOURCES BELIEVE 3-YR US-JAPAN PACT WILL LEAD TO
SUBSTANTIAL PRICE RISE COLOR TV SETS BY CHRISTMAS, BUT
IMMEDIATE PRICE IMPACT NOT EXPECTED BE LARGE BECAUSE
UNUSUALLY HIGH INVENTORIES JAPANESE SETS.

IN KEYNOTE ADDRESS TO 24TH ANNUAL IMF MEETING TOKYO 5/22,
BANK AMERICA CORP CHIEF A.W. CLAUSEN SAID PREVAILING LOW
LEVEL CONFIDENCE IN WORLD ECON COMMUNITY WHOLLY UNJUSTI-
FIED/BEST THINGS WE CAN DO IS DRAW BACK CURTAINS ON
SITUATIONS OTHERS CLAIM MURK Y; SUGGESTED MORE ATTENTION
BE FOCUSED DETAILS DEBT FUNDING LDC. REUTER (TOKYO) NOTES
SECTREASURY BLUMENTHAL ALSO ATTENDING FIRST GENERAL MEET-
ING IMF IN ASIA/SCHEDULED SPEAK WED (NYT). WP'S
REUTER STORY ON BLUMENTHAL VISIT TOKYO REPORTS ALSO HE
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WILL CONFER WITH PM FUKUDA/FINMINISTER BOH.

UPI (TOKYO) REPORTS EC-JAPAN TRADE TALKS YIELDED, WITH
AGREEMENTS ONLY TALK SOME MORE. JAPANESE AGREED WORKING
LEVEL MEETING IN JULY ON QUESTION IMPORTING MORE EC FOOD/
PROMISED SEND TECHNICAL MISSION EUROPE BEFORE END CURRENT
FISCAL YR NEXT 3/1 STUDY PROBLEM OF SIMPLIFYING INSPEC-
TION IMPORTED EC AUTOS, ETC (JOC).

JAPAN'S WHEAT IMPORTS IN '77-78 ESTIMATED AT 5.68 MIL
METRIC TONS, UP 5.5 MIL IMPORTED FROM '75-76, ACCORDING US
AGR ATTACHE TOKYO. GOJ IMPORT PLAN BASICALLY LIMITED ONLY
SLIGHT INCREASES (JOC).

TOKYO ANNOUNCES INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION ROSE BY 2.5 PCT IN MARCH, BIGGEST MONTH-MONTH GAIN IN ALMOST YR. MARCH PRODUCTION GAIN SAID ONE MORE PIECE EVIDENCE BACK UP OFFICIAL CLAIM THAT JAPAN'S ECONOMY PICKING UP STEAM AT LAST. OTHER ENCOURAGING INDICES ALSO CITED (JOC SPEC FROM TOKYO).

REUTER (TOKYO 5/22) REPORTS SABURO EDA DEATH AT 69 (HEPATITIS). JAPANESE SOCIALIST HAS PLANNED FORM MORE MODERATE POL ORGANIZATION/RUN FOR UPPER HOUSE ELECTION IN JULY/IN '62 DENOUNCED PEKING'S ATTEMPTS "FORCE ITS IDEOLOGY ON THE JAPANESE SOCIALIST PARTY" (NYT).

8. KOREA

PAPERS GIVE EXTENSIVE COVERAGE SINGLAUB AFFAIR. AP (SUN 5/21) NOTED GENL'S ARRIVAL US W/ORDERS REPORT TO PRES; UPI (WSTAR 5/21) NOTED PRES ISSUED WARNING TO "ANY POTENTIAL AGGRESSOR" IN PAC AS SINGLAUB RETURNED; WH REAFFIRMED PLANS W/DRAW US GROUND TROOPS OVER 4-5 YRS.

HIRC'S STRATTON (D-NY) SAYS WANTS SINGLAUB'S TESTIMONY
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ON OVERALL REVIEW US DEFENSE STRATEGY. WEINRAUB (NYT 5/21) REPORTED SINGLAUB'S ARRIVAL US FOLLOWED DAY CONTROVERSY W/IN PENTAGON/CONGRESS RE GENL'S STATEMENT THAT W/DRAWAL GROUND TROOPS MISTAKE/ WOULD LEAD TO WAR. NOTED HABIB/BROWN DUE ARRIVAL SEOUL 5/24.

SAAR (WP SEOULD 5/21) QUOTED EX-PRES FORD ON HIS SUPPORT CARTER'S ACTION IN DISCIPLINING SINGLAUB; ADDED FORD REPEATS OPPOSITION TO TROOP PULLOUT. UPI (NYT 5/21) QUOTED JCS' BROWN THAT MIL HAD NO RIGHT MAKE POLICY DECISIONS/SHOULD EXPRESS OPINIONS W/TACT.

MOST 5/22 PAPERS FRONT-PG PRES' REMOVAL SINGLAUB FROM KOREA POST. LEUBSDORF (SUN) SAID SECDEF RECOMMENDED GENL BE REASSIGNED, PRES CONCURRED; ADD S SINGLAUB HAD "NO COMMENT" ON LEAVING WH. WEINRAUB SAW SINGLAUB'S NEXT JOB/FUTURE IN ARMY LEFT IN DOUBT. ADDED MANY OFFICERS IN SK KNOWN SHARE SINGLAUB'S VIEWS. NOTED PRES CONF W/HABIB/BROWN CENTERED ON COMING KOREA TALKS. SCOTT (WP) SAID PRES ANGRY AT SINGLAUB, BUT GENL EVOKED SOME SYMPATHY IN 1/2-HR WH MTG. POINTED OUT SINGLAUB WILL RETURN TO SK TO PACK UP. GERSTENZANG (WSTAR) SAID PRES DECIDED NOT FORMALLY REPRIMAND/ADMONISH SINGLAUB, SINCE MISTAKE NOT MALICIOUS/ATTEMPT BE DISLOYAL/INSUBORDINATE.

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MONDAY PAPERS CARRY AFTERMATH SINGLAUB CASE. WP'S BROWN QUOTES SEN RBT BYRD THAT PRES HAD NO CHOICE IN HANDLING CASE, DID WHAT HAD TO. OPINES AS RESULT, CARTER WILL NOT BE SUBJECTED CONGRESSIONAL CRITICISM. LAT (WP) REPORTS EX-GOV REAGAN CALLS PRES' HANDLING SINGLAUB CASE "DIS-GRACEFUL." WEINRAUB QUOTES SECDEF THAT TROOP W/DRAWAL WOULD NOT ENDANGER SK; SAYS MADE PLAIN ANY MIL OFFICER WHO PUBLICLY CHALLENGED POLICY WOULD BE PUNISHED. QUOTES DOD SOURCE THAT SINGLAUB FEELS WAS "SANDBAGGED" BY REPORTER WHO QUOTED HIM/TOOK REMARKS OUT OF CONTEXT. AP UNCLASSIFIED

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(SUN) QUOTES SECDEF THAT USEFUL PLACE CAN BE FOUND FOR SINGLAUB. NYDN REPORTS SINGLAUB WILL APPEAR BEFORE INVESTIGATIONS SUBCMTE HIRC 5/25 TO TESTIFY IN SUBCMTE'S OVERALL REVIEW DEFENSE STRATEGY. REUTER (SEOUL) SAYS SINGLAUB REPLACED ON ARMISTICE COMMISSION BY REAR ADM HAMM. KOREAN NATL COUNCIL CHURCHES, FREQUENT CRITIC ROKG, HELD 5/22 PRAYER RALLY TO PROTEST PRES CARTER'S TROOP W/DRAWAL PLAN (AP SUN, NYDN).

HALLORAN (5/22 NYT, WSTAR) REPORTS KCIA APPEARS RESUMING CAMPAIGN THREATS VS KOREAN RESIDENTS US WHO CRITICAL PARK REGIME. SAYS SINCE ARRIVAL NEW KICA STATION CHIEF, REPORTEDLY CHUNG TAE DONG, AT KOREAN EMBASSY, AT LEAST 4 PERSONS RECEIVED THREATS.

KOREA TRADE CENTER'S PARK (JOC) DESCRIBES CENTER'S ACTIVITIES/DISCUSSES FOREIGN TRADE/GIVES GOALS ROK'S NEW ECON PLAN. SAYS US/SK ENHANCE TRADE RELS. UPI (JOC) NOTES ROKG HIKES PRICES ON RETAIL OIL PRICES. AP (NYT 5/22) REPORTS 1600 SKOREANS WORK W/TIGHT DISCIPLINE TO COMPLETE MAJOR PROJECT IN BAHRAIN.

9. INDONESIA

GOI ANNOUNCES INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT INCREASES IN CRUDE OIL PRICES (UPI, JOC), DECIDES FOREGO 5 PCT INCREASE SCHEDULED 7/1 (AP, NYT 5/21). MOVE SEEN AS EVIDENCE SAUDI ARABIA SUCCEEDING IN EFFORT RESTRAIN FURTHER PRICE INCREASES IN OIL CARTEL (WSJ).

10. LOS CONFERENCE

SIXTH SESSION OF 3RD UN CONF ON LOS SCHEDULED START 5/23 AT NYC (WP). CRUNCH ON SEABED MINING EXPECTED COME ABOUT MID-JUNE (BRALEY, NYDN). FATE UNFINISHED LOS TREATY MAY HINGE ON SEABED MINING ISSUE (TELTSCH, NYT). INTL UNCLASSIFIED

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WHALE DAY RALLY NEAR UN HQ 5/22 AIMED CALL ATTN LOS CONF
TO WHALE-KILLING PROBLEM (NYT).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

11. PHILIPPINES

ANDERSON/WHITTEN SAYS PRIMITIVO MIJARES IS MISSING, HIS
FATE REMAINS MYSTERY. RECITE ALLEGATIONS OF MARCOS
ATTEMPT BRIBE MIJARES TO PREVENT HIM TESTIFYING BEFORE
US CONGRESS. SAY AFTER HE ASKED US ASYLUM, DOS "ASTON-
ISHINGLY" NEVER ACTED ON REQUEST, AND JUSTICE DEPT "ALSO
STALLED" ON BRIBE INVESTIGATION.

12. AUSTRALIA

NYT'S BUTTER FELD (PERTH 5/22) SAYS WITH RETURN DEPT PM
ANTHONY FROM US, GOA APPEARS MORE CONFIDENT IT CAN FINALLY

SURMOUNT BITTER CONTROVERSY THAT HAS LONG HELD UP MINING/
EXPORT LARGE URANIUM RESERVES. NOTES ANTHONY SAID,
FOLLOWING TRIP, THAT SCHLESINGER TOLD HIM AUSTRALIA
"INDISPENSABLE ELEMENT" IN ASSURING NON-PROLIFERATION
TREATY WORKS; ACCORDING ANTHONY, HE REPLIED THAT AUSSIES
WILL BE MAKING CONTRIBUTION TO US EFFORTS LIMIT USE
FAST-BREEDER REACTORS BY EXPORTING URANIUM.

BUTTERFIELD (KARRATHA 5/21) REPORTS VISIT TO REMOTE
MINING AREA; SAYS LIFE GOOD/NOT SO GOOD.

13. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

MCARTHUR (LAT BANGKOK 5/19) NOTES CAMBODIA GETTING INVOLVED
IN FOREIGN TRADE, BUT EXTENT BUYING/SELLING ABROAD
DIFFICULT ASCERTAIN. SAYS SEEMS CLEAR PP RECOGNIZED CAN-
NOT ACHIEVE GROWTH/RECOVERY W/O IMPORTS; ADDS EXPORTING
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MEANS FURTHER SUFFERING FOR PEOPLE, SINCE SCARCE FOOD TO
BE EXPORTS TO PAY FOR IMPORTS. DISCUSSES SMUGGLING SCENE/
INCIDENTS ALONG THAI BORDER.

LORENZ (JOC BANGKOK), IN 1ST OF 2 ARTICLES, NOTES RTG
SEEKS PRESENT PROSPEROUS IMAGE, AS CONFIDENCE IN COUNTRY
AS ATTRACTIVE FOR INVESTMENT TARGET CRUMBLES, ACCORDING

MANY US/EUR BUSINESSMEN. SAYS PAPERS SUGGEST NATION UNDER SIEGE W/ACCOUNTS SHOOTINGS/ATTACKS/INSURGENCY. FINDS GROWING DISILLUSIONMENT W/MONARCHY IN BANGKOK, DUE ROLE KING FELT HAVE PLAYED IN CRUSHING U STUDENTS LAST FALL. IN SEPARATE PIECE, LORENZ REPORTS RTG HOPES INTRODUCE BILL TO EMPOWER THAI SHIPPERS BARGAIN EFFECTIVELY W/SHIPPING CONFERENCES WHEN RATES RAISED.

14. CHINA

MUNRO (TORONTO GLOBE & MAIL) FINDS PETS MAKING COMEBACK IN PEKING. NOTES DOGS KILLED/BANNED IN EARLY '50S, BUT NOW SHOWING UP ALL OVER PLACE. REASONS BEHIND PET UP-SURGE UNCERTAIN. OPINES PERHAPS AUTHORITY DECLINED LAST YR/LACK PUBLIC ORDER FAMILIES RECALL DOG CONVENIENT ANTI-BURGLAR DEVICE. ADDS SOME STILL DEVOTED FOLLOWERS OF DOGMEAT/NOTES FOLKLORE RE DOGMEAT- INCLUDES RECIPE FOR ONE SUCH DISH, "KUNG PAO LOU TING" (DOG JEWELS) FROM JULIE MUNRO AND PIX BOY IN PEKING WALKING DOG (WP 5/22).

WILLIAM CLAIBORNE PRAISES ORVILLE SCHELL'S NEW BOOK, "IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC"--COLLECTION VIGNETTES RE EVERYDAY LIFE PRC WRITTEN IN SIMPLE DECLARATIVE SENTENCES. SCHELL VIEW TROUBLE WITH MOST SINOLOGISTS IS THEY'RE TOO REMOTE FROM ORDINARY PEOPLE OF CHINA/TROUBLE W/US PERCEPTION PRC IS THAT IT'S BASED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY ON WRITING OF SINOLOGISTS. ANOTHER PROBLEM RELUCTANCE CHINESE ASSIST WESTERN WRITERS INSIDE COUNTRY. CLAIBORNE SAYS BOOK THOUGHTFUL/INSIGHTFUL GLIMPSES CHINESE LIFE; UNCLASSIFIED

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SIMPLE/SENSITIVE, YET DOESN'T FAWN OVER PRC (WP).

BRADSHER (WSTAR) ALSO DOES PIECE ON SCHELL BOOK. FINDS IT INTERESTING W/HUMAN WARMTH OF VIGNETTES CAREFULLY OBSERVED/DELIGHTFULLY RECOUNTED. SAYS SCHELL ABLE UNDERSTAND BASIC MESSAGE OF CHANGED CHINA. NOTES SCHELL CONDEMNS FOREIGNERS WHO STILL LOOK FOR EXCEPTIONS ECON/SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT/CONVEYS APPEALINGLY HUMAN PICTURE LIFE THAT VISITORS FIND IN PRC TODAY.

FROM CANTON, SUN'S ISAACS (5/21) WRITES THAT NEW PRC LEADERSHIP APPARENTLY HAS EASED ONE OF MAO'S MOST UNPOPULAR POLICIES, I.E. SENDING YOUTH TO COUNTRYSIDE. POLICY CHANGE SEEMS CONFINED TO CERTAIN PARTS COUNTRY/NO WAY MEASURE HOW EXTENSIVE/HOW FAR CHANGE WILL GO. CANTON OFFICIALS INSIST "DOWN-TO-THE-COUNTRY-SIDE" PROGRAM IN FULL EFFECT, BUT SOME HUNAN STUDENTS GOING DIRECTLY FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO UNIVERSITY.

AFTER REVIEW OF PROGRAM, ISAAC NOTES POST-MAO LEADERSHIP
AFTER PURGE "GANG OF FOUR" GENERALLY ADOPTED LESS DOC-
TRINAIRE/MORE PRAGMATIC ATTITUDE. MOST YOUNG MEN/WO;EN
INTERVIEWED DURING VISIT TEA PLANTATION SAID HOPE TAKE
UNIV EXTRANCE EXAM AFTER COMPLETING TIME OF MANUAL WORK.
ADDS DESPITE OFFICIAL LINE EDUCATED YOUTH MUST GO
COUNTRYSIDE/AVOID ELITIST PRETENSIONS, YOUTH INTERVIEWED
STILL THINK OF SELVES AS FUTURE SPECIALISTS/LEADERS
RATHER THAN MEMBERS OF MASSES.

15. JAPAN

IN SPEC TO NYT, HENRY KAMM IN HIROSHIMA WRITES OF
HIROSHIMA MAIDEN'S CONQUEST OF BITTERNESS. ARTICLE HIGH-
LIGHTS STORY OF MICHIKO SAKO, ONE OF 25 YOUNG WOMEN
BROUGHT TO US IN '55 FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT AS RESULT OF
A-BOMB SCARS.
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FROM TOKYO, ANDREW MALCOM (NYT) REPORTS ON BATTLEFIELD OF
BEAUTY AND SPECIAL KIND OF WAR RAGING WITH MORE THAN 300
COSMETIC COMPANIES FIGHTING FOR ALLEGIANCE/YEN OF JAPANESE
WOMEN. VANCE

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